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A ſhort Account of all the moſt conſiderable News
Foreign and *Domeſtic.*

Edinburgh, Friday July 5, 1723.

From the Evening Poſt, June 29.

Since our laſt arrived one Mail from Holland.

Geneva, June 26.

MR. Robert Knight, late Caſhier of the Engliſh South Sea Company, is now in this City.

Conſtantinople, May 16. An Aga was lately ſent by the Porte to Moſcow, and returned the 25th of laſt Month: The Letters he brought occaſioned the holding of a Council; and we hear ſince, that an Accommodation between the Grand Seignior and the Emperor of Ruſſia is as good as concluded. And the Former, being reſolved to reſtore Tranquillity in Perſia, has ordered his Troops to march towards that Kingdom.

Petersburg, June 11. The Lord Duffus, who was ſome time in the Swediſh Service, is now appointed Rear-Admiral of the Ruſſian Fleet.

Copenhagen, June 12. The Czar has aſſured our King by a Letter, that no Umbrage ought to be taken here at the ſailing of the Ruſſian Fleet, the real Deſign being no other than exerciſing the Mariners.

Bruſſels, July 5. Yeſterday arrived here the Iriſh Lord Perteval. The late Biſhop of Rocheſter is daily expected.

London, July 29. Yeſterday a Train of Artillery, conſiſting of 21 Field-pieces, with the Ammunition and Bread-waggons, were drawn from the Tower to the Camp in Hide Park, under a ſtrong Guard.

The late Biſhop of Rocheſter, ſoon after his landing at Calais, took Poſt-chaiſes for Oſtend.

This Day at Noon S. S. Stock was 102, 1 4th. Bank, 117, 3 4ths. India, 134, 1 4th. African, 12. York Buildings, 9, 1 4th.

From

From the Flying Poſt.

Rome, June 12. Cardinal Salerno, is gone Poſt for Germany, and 'tis ſaid that after a ſhort ſtay at the Imperial Court he will go to that of Poland, whether he is ſent for to convert the Queen to the Catholick Religion. On the 5th the Chevalier de St. George gave a magnificent Collation at Albano to ſeveral Perſons of Diſtinction, particularly the Duke and Ducheſs of Salviati, and the Marquis de Saccheti, the Ambaſſador of the Duke of Parma. That Day alſo the Pretender had a long Conference with the Cardinal Aquaviva and the Abbot Tanſin, and the next Day ſet out Poſt for Orvietto, to confer with Cardinal Gualtieri. His Miniſters have lately ſent him two Bills of Exchange for 5000 Crowns remitted to him and his Lady from Madrid, or as others ſay, by two Foreign Potentates of the firſt Rank. And we hear that he returned to Albano to ſtand Godfather to a Son of the Duke de Soriano Albani. It Rains and Hails here ſtill to that Degree, as makes the Air very ſharp, and very much indangers the Fruits; for which Reaſon, the Pope has ordered all the Prieſts to read the Collect for Fair weather, in their ordinary Maſſes.

Paris, July 3. The Academy of Floral Games eſtabliſhed at Toulouſe, have choſen the following Subject, to be diſputed for the Prize of Eloquence on the 3d of May next, viz. *That Virtue alone can render a Man Happy.* This is a Cuſtom derived from the Ancient Romans, who ſolemnized Floral Games at that City. A Remembrance of thoſe Games is ſtill kept up there for the Encouragement of Poeſy, and other Parts of Learning under the Conduct of their Parliament and Magiſtrates; who diſtribute Prizes of three Golden Flowers of about 14 *L.* Sterling each to thoſe who perform beſt, and in the Town-houſe, there's the Picture of Madam Flora, by whom thoſe Games, were inſtituted, holding four Flowers in her Hand.

Moſcow, June 1. A Turkiſh Envoy arrived here a Week ago from Conſtantinople, who 'tis ſaid, has brought ſome beautifull Horſes as a Preſent to the Czar from the Grand Viſier. He is proceeding without Delay to Petersburg; and an Expreſs being ſent before him to acquaint the Czar of his coming, he will find freſh Relays of Horſes and other Neceſſaries upon the Road. He has been allowed 100 Rubles a Day ever ſince he came, beſides Proviſion for his Kitchin and Cellar.

From the Evening Poſt.

Paris, July 3. They write from Montpelier, that M. O Bryan, an Iriſh Brigadier-General in the Service of the King of Spain, and Governour of Malaga, arrived there from that Kingdom the Beginning of laſt Month, to conſult the Phyſicians of that City, about an Illneſs he had been troubled with for above a Year paſt, of which the Spaniſh Phyſicians could not diſcover the Cauſe. But thoſe of Montpelier found he had the Stone; and reſolved he ſhould undergo the Operation, which being performed on the 12th of laſt Month, they took from him a Stone weighing four Ounces and a Half, but he died four Days after. Being opened, the Phyſicians agreed, that if he had not undergone the Operation he could not have lived long, becauſe his Inteſtines were viciated.

The Ducheſs of Montague arrived ſome Days ago, on her Way to Montpelier, for the Benefit of the Air of that Place, which is accounted excellent for conſumptive Perſons.

From the Whitehall Evening Poſt.

Leghorn, June 12. By a Ship from Algiers there is Advice that the Rovers of that Place which were already at Sea, and thoſe which are equipping, amount to 19 Ships of good Force, and that an Engliſh Ship from Alexandria, was forced to retire, on Suſpicion that ſeveral of her Men on board died of the Plague,

London, June 27. Mr. Spears, one of his Majeſty's Meſſengers having ſet out from Hanover Yeſterday was Se'night, came to Helvotſluys on Friday following, and

and on Monday laſt arrived at the Cock-pit, Whitehall. The Day before he left Hanover, the King of Pruſſia was come thither to congratulate his Majeſty upon his Arrival, and was received with a Triple Diſcharge of all the Artillery on the Ramparts. His Majeſty intended to go to drink the Waters at Pyrmont as ſoon as the King of Pruſſia was gone for Berlin, where the Duke of York is to meet his Majeſty and drink the Waters.

We are informed that an Italian Lady has lodg'd a Libel in Doctors Commons, in order to prove her Marriage with a Lord, who has ſince married an Engliſh Gentlewoman.

Boſtoun, in New-England, May 6. They write from New-York, that Capt. Craig was arrived there in a Sloop from the Bay of Hondoras, with Advice, that the Spainards had taken the ſaid Bay: But that a Pyrate Scooner came in there afterwards and put them all to the Sword.

This Morning an Account came to the Admiralty-office, That Admiral de Laval fell off his Horſe and broke his Neck, of which he died.

Continuation of the Biſhop of Rocheſter's Speech.

My *Lords*, Theſe are the Hardſhips which I previouſly mention, and only mention, and humbly lay before your Lordſhips.

By your Lordſhipps Leave, I proceed now to make that Defence, as well as I am able to make it, in the Condition of Health I am now in, humbly praying your Lordſhips, if I find my ſelf in any Degree ſinking under it, that you will indulge me, and allow me a little Time to go on; becauſe the general Charge of the Bill, is, That I have been deeply concerned in forming, directing, and carrying on a wicked and deteſtable Conſpiracy, and was principal Actor therein.

The Charge is divided into two Heads:

Firſt, That I traiterouſly conſulted and correſponded with divers Perſons, to raiſe an Inſurrection, &c. in this Kingdom, to procure Foreign Forces to invade it, &c.

Secondly, That I traiterouſly correſponded, with the ſame Intent, with Perſons employed, &c. But as neither Part of this Charge hath been made good by the Counſel for the Bill, nor have they proved, nor attempted to prove me at one Conſultation, nor is there any Thing tends towards ſuch a Proof, except the exploded Story of the *Burford* Club, and two or three Hear-ſay Informations which were mentioned of my Management of this Affair. I have met all theſe Lords I own it, but at different Times; and, upon the beſt Recollection I can make, I never was in all my Life with any three of them at once, unleſs perhaps about ſome general Matters, or Affairs depending in Parliament. The Earl of *Strafford* hath viſited me, and I have, when in Health, dined once with him at his Houſe. At my Lord *North's* Table I have not eat; tho' I have great Honour for him, yet I never had any Intimacy with him, eſpecially ſince the Affair of the Dormitory, wherein he appeared ſo againſt me, that I certainly had loſt the Cauſe, had not his Affairs called him to *Holland*.

Lawſon hath ſworn, that this Lord did often viſit me at *Bromely*, but in Truth he never was there above twite or thrice in all his Life-time.

I have not been once theſe two Years with Lord *Orrery* on any Buſineſs whatſoever; we twice dined together at the Houſe of a Perſon, whoſe Name if I ſhould mention, your Lordſhips would not think there was any Harm at all in dining there. Sir *Henry Goring* I never ſaw in all my Life, till he ſaw me at *St. James's*, and he was but once at *Bromley*; and the Occaſion of his coming to me, was his placing four Sons at *Weſtminſter*-School, and intending to breed up one of them to the Goſpel: The laſt Time I ſaw Sir *Henry Gorring* was, about twelve Months ago, when I promiſed to bring down one of his Sons to be upon the Foundation; and I ſhall be ſorry if I can't be as good as my Word.

Your Lordſhips will excuſe me for being ſo particular, when you conſider how dangerous the Charge is, and how fit it is to clear the Perſons charged, from ſuch miſchievous Correſpondence; eſpecially, ſince it is with theſe, and theſe only that I have been ſpeaking of, it is inſinuated that I have held Conſultations with, to forward the Conſpiracy.

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The firſt is an Intent, and indeed a Conſpiracy, without a Conſultation.

How that too hath been made good, your Lordſhips will obſerve, that there is not one Overt-Act, or Circumſtance of Time or Place mentioned, proved, or alledged. I have not therefore conſulted or conſpired at home.

The next material Part of the Charge is, correſponding abroad with the Pretender, &c.

A high and heinous Accuſation. ſtrongly aſſerted, much inſiſted upon, but how maintained, is the Queſtion?

The true State of this Part of my Charge, as well, and as fully as I can recollect, is this (I will not in any Degree diſſemble before you) *1ſt*, That I did the 20th of *April*, 1722, dictate three Letters to Mr. *Dillon*, the late Lord *Marr*, and the *Pretender* himſelf, under the feigned Names of *Chivirs*, *Muſgrave*, and *Jackſon*; to which Letters the Names of *Jones*, *Illington*, and 1378, were all by my Direction, ſubſcribed.

Secondly, That afterwards two Letters, in Anſwer to theſe two ſent to *Mar* and *Dillon*, one dated *May* 11*th*, and the other *July* 25*th*, under the feigned Names of *Motfield* and *Digbie*, were intercepted.

Thirdly, There is certain intercepted Correſpondence between the Pretender's Agents abroad and *Kelly* here, carried on by him, and that I was at the Head of it, and am anſwerable for what it contains.

This is the Subſtance of my Charge, all other particular Circumſtances are made uſe of, as they thought would give Light and Strength to one or other of theſe Articles.

As to the firſt of theſe Points, *That I did dictate theſe Letters*;

That it could not be poſſible that I dictated theſe Letters, hath been made our to your Lordſhips by ſuch a Concurrence of Evidence, ſo clear, full, and legal, as, I perſuade my ſelf, can have left no Doubt remaining upon any candid and indifferent Perſon; a plain Matter of Fact, ſupported by ſuch Teſtimony, cannot be overthrown by little Gueſſes and conſequential Surmiſes.

My Lords, I was under the known Difficulty of proving a Negative, which in many Caſes, is not to be done; but it ſo happens in this Caſe, that peculiar Circumſtances attend it as to Point of Time. My being diſabled in my Chamber, and attended before and after that Time by ſome of my Servants, and receiving frequent Meſſages from others. The agreeing Teſtimony of my Servants, that no Stranger came near me about that Time, and for ſome Time before and after, and the full Evidence of the School at *Weſtminſter*, hath enabled my ſeveral Servants to recollect the Time, and to furniſh ſuch a Proof of my Innocence in this Matter, as is not to be miſtaken, and the Clearneſs of the Impoſſibility of it.

They ſwear, that they believe theſe three Letters to have been in the Hand-writing of Mr. *Kelly*, my ſuppoſed Amanuenſis: Your Lordſhips will remember, that their Oaths were at four Months Diſtance from the Time of ſeeing thoſe Letters; during the Whole Series of which Time, it never hath appeared, that they have compared one Original with another, and the only Original, as a Specimen, hath been proved, at Your Lordſhips Bar, not to be the Hand-writing of Mr. *Kelly*; and be pleaſed to remember the very Suppoſition of Mr. *Kelly*'s being my Secretary, or any ways intimate with me, hath been fully ſworn to be falſe.

If it be ſaid, Who then writ theſe Letters, and with what View were they writ? The Anſwer to this is obvious, my being here at your Lordſhips Bar ſufficiently explains it. It is enough to prove, that I did not write or dictate them, and I have proved it abundantly. Let but any momentous Part of the the Charge againſt me be made out with half the Evidence, and I will ſubmit without any Diſpute; eight or nine ſuch Witneſſes would have born down the Evidence of one or two that had ſworn.

(This is to be continued.)

WYE's Letter, verbatim, London, June 29.

LEtters from Copenhagen of the 26th Inſtant adviſe, That Admiral Roſen was ſet out for Norway, with expreſs Orders to make all the Haſte he could to complete the Number of the Seamen which are raiſing in that Kingdom. Vice-Admiral Schundel wts likewiſe gone to Fuen, Lowland, Faeſter, and other Places, to haſten the Liſting of Mariners, which are every where preſs'd to manne the Fleet with the utmoſt Expedition. All which, with the Preparations that are carried on by the Czar, give Reaſon to apprehend freſh Troubles in the North.

Notwithſtanding it has been adviſed, That the Emperor had condeſcended to every Thing which his Catholic Majeſty had demanded, in relation to the Inveſtiture of the Dutchies of Parma, Tuſcany and Placentia in favour of Don Carlos;

los; yet we do not hear of the Opening of the Congreſs of Cambray: But the Reaſon of this, as ſome Accounts ſay, is the King of Spain's perſiſting in his Demand of having Gibraltar reſtored unto him:

'Tis ſaid the King of Sardinia has deſir'd certain Courts to uſe their good Offices with his Imperial Majeſty, to the end that that Part of the Dutchy of Milan which was yielded to him by the late Emperor Leopold, may be declared to be no Fief of the Empire, but an independent State.

Yeſterday the Lady Frances Coot, only Daughter of the late Earl of Bellamont, was married to Robert Clifton, Eſq; of Clifton.

To-morrow the Conſecration of the 2 Biſhops of Carliſle and Bangor, is to be performed in the Chappel of the Pariſh of Lambeth.

The Author of the Paper called the *True Briton*, ſtill continues his ſlie Inſinuations and Reflections in that publiſhed yeſterday, he ſays, *The Command of St. Paul, that Biſhops be apt to teach is very neceſſary to be remarked; for if ever we ſhould ſee the Time when any of that* Holy Character *look on a Biſhoprick as a* fine Cure, *and think they have nothing to do to anſwer the Intention of their Patrons, but to vote as ordered in a Houſe of Parliament, then may our Church be juſtly ſaid to be* in Danger.

The Printer of the aforenamed Paper taken into Cuſtody laſt Thurſday was yeſterday admitted to Bail.

Mean while we hear the Regency has ſent an Expreſs to Hanover, with an Account of the Behaviour of the D. of Wharton.

The Perſon who threatned to murder the Right Honourable Robert Walpole Eſq; if he did not provide for him, was yeſterday committed to the Gate-houſe, till he gave Security for his good Behaviour, and for his Appearance at the next general Quarter Seſſions.

We are adviſed, That the late Biſhop of Rocheſter, ſoon after he had taken a little Refreſhment upon his landing at Calais, took Poſt-chaiſes for Oſtend.

This Week Mr. Bingley and Mr. Skeen, who were in Cuſtody of Mr. Crawford the Meſſenger, were committed to Newgate.

The Town of Batherſly, about 3 Miles from this City, being the Place of my Lord Bolingbrook's Nativity, have rung their Bells ſeveral Days ſucceſſively on account of his Lordſhip's Arrival; and Yeſterday, when he appeared in public, a Hogſhead of ſtrong Beer was given to the Town's People, who drank his Health and afterwards made a large Bonfire, by way of Rejoicing.

The Report of the late Duke of Ormond's having obtained his Pardon, and being about to come over hither, is vaniſhed, at leaſt for the preſent.

The Cargoes of the Desbovery and Devonſhire, newly arrived from the Eaſt Indies, are computed at 600000 *l.*

The Dutch have an Account of the Arrival on their Coaſts of 22 of their Ships from the Eaſt Indies.

The Iriſh Lord Pertival is arrived at Bruſſels, where the late Biſhop of Rocheſter is dayly expected.

Mr. Knight, late Caſhier of the South Sea Company, is now at Geneva. The Lord Duffus is appointed Rear Admiral of the Ruſſian Fleet.

A Copy of a Letter from Barbadoes, *to the Reverend Mr.* Robert Kincaid, *Miniſter of the Goſpel at* Edinburgh, *concerning his Son,* John Kincaid, *being taken by the Pyrates.*

Reverend SIR, *Barbadoes, March 28th, 1723.*

THIS comes to inform you of my being taken with your Son, *John Kincaid*, in a Ship called the *Sagamore*, *Andrew Scot*, Commander, off of the Iſland of *Boniviſt*, one of the *Capedeverd* Iſlands, by a Pyrate, one *Edward Loe*, Commander. Your Son was Doctor of the Ship, and the Pyrates wanting of a Doctor; they forced him to go along with them againſt his Will. He would have writ himſelf, but the Pyrates would not let him; ſo he deſired me to let you know of his Misfortunes and for to put his Name in the News-papers. We where taken laſt *October*, on the 7th Day, I ſent you a Letter from *Jamaica*, laſt *December*, with Directions incloſed in it that your Son wrote himſelf for to direct me where to write to you, and I hope you received the ſame. Your Son was very much grieved that he ſhould be forced to live with ſuch a Parcel of wicked reprobate Fellows, where he could not ſerve his God, but juſt when he went to his Reſt, and hardly then as he ſhould do, they keep ſuch a Curſing and Swearing. Sir having no more at preſent, I remain your unknown Friend and humble Servant, to ſerve you or your Son at all Times.

SOLOMON HARRISON.

P. S. *If you ſhould have any Occaſion for my taking a Depoſition, you may direct for me, to be left at* Edward Harriſon's *Braſier in* Bridgtoun, Barbadoes. *I have ſent Notes to the* Leeward *Iſlands about your Son.*

N. B. This Letter is regiſtrate in the Books of Admiralty in Edinburgh.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

††† *That there is a Lodging or Dwelling-house, with a Cellar and Garret belonging thereto, lying in the* West-bow *of* Edinburgh, *lately possest by the Laird of* Harwood, *and an Dwelling House and Cellar, lying in the Back of* Bess-wynd, *lately possest by* James Allardice *Merchant in* Edinburgh, *and another* Dwelling House *above the same, presently possest by* John M'intosh *Merchant there; all to be exposed to Sale by a publick voluntary Roup, jointly or severally, on the sixteenth Day of July instant, betwix Three and Four Hours in the Afternoon, in the House of* Patrick Herdman *Vintner in* Edinburgh: *The Conditions of the Roup, and Progress of the Rights, are to be seen at Mr.* William Wilson *Writer to the Signet, his Writing Chamber, situat on the* South *Side of the Street of* Edinburgh, *a little below the Cross.*

*** These are to give Notice, that upon the 29th Day of *July* next, in the House of *Arthur* Reid, Vintner in *Edinburgh*, betwixt the Hours of 2 and 4 in the Afternoon, There is to be exposed to Sale by way of voluntar Roup, the Lands and Barony of *Tinwall*, with the Patronage of the Kirk of *Tinwall*, a large Mansion-house, Orchyards, Yards and other Pertinents, holding Blench of the Crown: As also the Lands of *Bruntskairth*, holding Feu of the Lord of the Erection. The said Lands have a great deal of young Planting, Meadow, Moss, a good Stone-quarrie and other Conveniencies, and ly within 3 Miles of *Drumfries*. As also the Lodging in the *Covenant-Close* in *Edinburgh*, lately possest by the deceas'd *William Alves*, Writer to the Signet. The Rental, Articles of Roup and Progress of Writes are to be seen at the Writing-Chamber of *Andrew Alves*, at *Don's-Close-Head*, opposite to the *Luckenbooths*.

*** *By Order of the Managers of the Friendly-Society, in Terms of the original and additional Articles: These are intimating to all the Contributers in the said Society, That on* Monday *the* 22d. July *instant, at* 4 *a Clock Afternoon, in* Mary's *Chapel in* Niddry's *Wynd* Edinburgh, *there is a General Meeting to be held of the whole Society, in order to the considering of certain* Proposals, *tending to the Advantage and Benefit of the whole and Increase of the common Stock, which cannot be agreed to without a general Meeting; and therefor all concerned are desired to be present.*

‖*‖ *These are to advertise, That a Bark about* 27 Tun, *lying at the Harbour of* Dysert, *is to be exposed to Sale by a publick Roup, the* 16th *of* July *instant; the Inventar of Rigging, &c. is to be seen at* George Keddy's *House Shore-master in* Dysert: *As also a Chariot and two Coach Mares, are to be exposed to Sale, at the same Time and Place.*

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